

child  
not bright  
but has  
good flavor  
and it  
pays off

11/1/1901  
1901  
The House of Education,  
Ambleside. Miss Mason &  
Mr. Thomas  
on N. N. B.  
Not much on 2nd  
like White Spruce  
with my husband  
Draughts

Miss Mason is very  
glad for you to have any  
information about the  
Native Dianes that we  
can give.

The dianes met to day in  
answer to your questions, -

1. The Shedsents enter for 18,  
November, from Ma-  
we have them up to about  
35. The books sent <sup>an</sup> - keep on

to be those of rather older  
students (average age about  
27) but it is only just  
happened so: we get quite  
as good work from younger  
students.

2. Of the 3 books sent. Miss  
Lees had studied painting  
before she came was w.  
neither Miss Parish or  
Miss Drury had ever  
painted before. Although  
they had old experiences  
some from nature. These  
are the three students in hand

here January 1901. ~~she~~  
Books sent. Each student  
sells about 4 books <sup>in her 2 y. b.</sup> ~~which~~  
she is to keep & one is sent up  
for examination. The ~~Maxa~~  
~~Maxima~~ ~~Maxima~~ ~~Maxima~~ ~~Maxima~~  
question choose to send in  
other books than those you  
have.

3. Half-an-hour a week  
is the actual time-table  
time given for the <sup>other</sup> ~~Maxima~~  
of Painting <sup>the month</sup> ~~Maxima~~ ~~Maxima~~  
of ~~Maxima~~ ~~Maxima~~ ~~Maxima~~ ~~Maxima~~  
Illustration <sup>the month</sup> ~~Maxima~~ ~~Maxima~~  
most students I think give  
a few minutes a day to

Anterior view what they  
have seen in that day's  
walk perhaps painting  
some objects (Reillustration  
once student gets into the  
way of it can done in a  
surprising short time).

\* The students use what  
paints + brushes they like.  
But <sup>Paints you down on which</sup> Two hours a week are  
given to art studies ~~for~~ <sup>in water</sup>  
short hour <sup>100</sup>  
from last studies ~~for~~  
color record (or artistic)  
don't the science form as  
quite different lines, we don't consider  
~~Paints + brushes here is~~  
~~Math. M.S. work part but~~  
For these a medium sized  
washable brush (about #4)  
+ to 1<sup>o</sup> tubes of color an-

The House of Education,  
Ambleside.

~~used. No doubt the same  
do for the Native Note books.~~

4. The course lasts 2 yrs. here -

During the 1<sup>st</sup> year of

two hours a week Botany

## Natural History

~~During the Second year~~

~~1. Mr. Shur  
2. Mr. Lee  
3. Mrs. G.  
4. Mr. Roby.  
5. Mr. Smith  
6. Mr. Johnson  
7. Mr. Hartman  
8. Mr. Hartman  
9. Mr. Hartman~~

Item 7 hr. a week for by  
her 1 hr. work. Below.

Four days a week a

Native Walk is taken by the  
Native Son Mission but the walk  
is ~~very~~ <sup>very</sup> deep

11 p 6 pm 1914

they find material for their  
natural notes illustration.

The Valentine don't Mislin also  
takes 4 picnics for days  
a week for the walk &  
find when the flowers grow.

Study the trees in various stages -  
follow birds - hunt for bog  
plants - ~~etc etc~~ ~~etc~~ ~~etc~~ ~~etc~~ ~~etc~~ ~~etc~~ ~~etc~~  
occasions (with a brother)

Bird walk or walks also as well  
as Rock Walks.

Pupil in the

The Practicing School class

also Rep. Mr. D.

The youngest children (6 yrs.)  
partly quite & remarkable  
foot trips of flowers & in the  
highest class at 16 May Rep  
quite good stories.

11 p 7 p.m. 11

used. No doubt the same do  
with the Nat. Park Work.  
4 During the two yrs. here, <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~  
the students have the following  
lectures

Botany 4 lectures 1 hr per week  
over land. min.

" " { 1 hr per week  
{ ... - study  
Botany for U. of B. Swan.

Zoology 3 lectures 1 hr a week

Natural History 6 lectures 1 hr a week

Geology 1 <sup>1/2</sup> hr for Report  
Geology <sup>1/2 hr a week</sup> ~~1 hr a week~~

The ~~present~~ chief part of the  
Natural History is done out  
of doors. The students have  
each day ~~2 hrs~~  $1\frac{1}{2}$  - 2 hrs for  
walking on these walks

Stomach was not tracking Rep<sup>11P8</sup> phenyl

Mr. Harrington found that

Any shicketts as markable  
as I wonder her party from  
Nature useless.

There is a story current  
of an old student who  
long ago is reported to  
have said "How delicious  
it is to sit down over here."

and this is half Melville's

Then ~~the~~ we begin work ~~which~~ all ~~less~~ the  
~~with~~ ~~the~~ work is done. ~~no~~ don't  
~~the~~ ~~the~~

Naupk, it comes by  
breeding in Musuem

formation which is very  
much part of the atmosphere  
here. from the low of the  
air.

1109 pm all

lefts. She set up a  
school of her own. We  
Miss her as a naturalist  
for course her knowledge  
of nature goes with her  
at the present students "Rosa  
and Joseph" but I think  
the Nature work & the  
Nature Diana, my original  
idea in founding the  
College, keep up to up to  
the old level.  
Miss Barnett our present  
mistress is very good.

11 p.m. 11.11.19

a naturalist, will return  
with very little of his hosts.

I am delighted to  
know of all the good work  
you are doing in the cause  
of Nature Teaching.

With kindest regards  
to Mr. & Mrs. Thorsby - very  
truly yours,

C. M. Mason

We have a nice certificate  
for the students which I shall  
send for your signature later  
Miss Hodson has

FROM THE REV'D. A. THORNLEY, M.A., F.L.S., F.E.S.

Consulting Entomologist and Lecturer on Entomology and Botany to the Midland Agricultural and Dairy Institute, Kingston, Derby.

TELEGRAMS  
AND  
RAILWAY PARCELS:

LEVERTON STATION,  
GREAT CENTRAL RAILWAY.

POSTAL ADDRESS: { SOUTH LEVERTON VICARAGE,  
LINCOLN.

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February 27. 1903

Dear Miss Mason.

Yes! I am the man that delivered the lecture for the P.W. U. at Derby lately: and I would gladly deliver a hundred lectures, if I thought they would all bring such a kind & interesting letter from you. I have steadfastly purposed for some years back to come and look you up at Amherst; but work of a very exacting nature seems to have come to me - and I have very little leisure. I have had no holiday for two years - as I spend nine in August - in teaching National School Teachers - Nature Lore. I have a class of about 30 - in the lot - and I take each for 3 weeks - lecturing them in the morning; and walking them out in the afternoon. Just now, I have a Biology Lecture - a Botany Lecture - and an Entomology lecture every week - and this will continue until the end of May.

12 P.M. 20th July

And now I should like to take up the work  
you kindly offer me - if I have time: and I  
think I should like to do. I have a month  
or two - unless any lecture is - and possibly  
I could get through it in that time.  
Moreover, & if particularly busy I could get some  
assistance from my 'Chum', Prof. J. W. Carr. of  
the Nottingham University College. I must now  
tell you how pleased I am with the Nature  
Note Book you kindly sent. It shows great  
powers of observation, and argues much for the  
future of the student. The bush work is  
most excellent: and the notes are frequently  
very pithy. As to fees, I never think  
about that. I want you to kindly lend me the  
Note Book over this week, as I should like  
to show it to my Biology Class on Sat. They  
are school teachers; and I am trying to get  
some Nature Training established in all the  
schools of this County & Lincolnshire. We are  
all pretty well. Miss Mackie lives chiefly at  
Bournemouth now: and Barbara is in Dresden  
finishing her musical education. I should  
be glad, if I might be allowed, to see some of the  
late Mr Geddes' criticisms &c - & his method  
of drawing up and tabulating results, & to have  
some kind of communication in the form of the report  
Ms. Thorley joins me in kindest regards.  
Believe me. Very faithfully yours.  
Alfred Thorley

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SOUTH LEVERTON VICARAGE,  
LINCOLN.

June 11<sup>th</sup> 1903

Dear Miss Mason.

I am so pleased  
that my views ~~fall~~  
meet with your appreciation  
and please do just  
what you like with  
my report. Next year,  
when I have more time  
I will go into much more  
detail, probably giving  
each student a little  
paper of brief notes on  
her book: but this time

SOUTH FENERTON ACADEMY  
LINCOLN

13p2pneull

There was scarcely  
opportunities.

I know of a very fair  
naturalist who has not  
a thing occasionally as  
a little spare time, who  
is in regular practice  
naming occasional specimens  
and who would scarcely  
feel a the work of  
determining a few extra  
ones. His name is the  
Rev<sup>d</sup> A. Thorley.

Dear Miss Mason, I  
shall be only too glad

to keep ~~the~~ <sup>up to the</sup> work as I  
am nearly always at it  
~~has~~ ~~had~~ ~~had~~ good; it  
really cannot make  
much difference blown  
over a few miles.

And now you have sent  
me too high fees. I  
agreed to have 2 guineas  
and not £5 - and I  
am sure I don't  
deserve so much. I  
think next time I  
look over the books you  
must not give me  
any fees. Yours.

13p3pneull

I hope the student will  
send me plenty of  
specimens to determine.  
I can determine - plants -  
- animals - insects - shells  
- mosses - & large fungi -  
but small ones. I can  
rarely get determined by  
authorities. I will send  
of the books on Friday  
and they should arrive  
on Saturday. I enclose  
receipt for the £5.

Believe me

Yours very sincerely

Alfred Threlley

undelivered please return to  
Parents' Union School,  
AMBLESIDE,  
WESTMORLAND

Book Post.

14 p.m. 11

W. Thonley

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Miss Mason

Miss Mason explains to W. Thonley what the  
students do with N. V. S. when he is  
be the Examiner.

1901

First Report from W. Thonley 1903

Meeting of dianies.